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PROGRAM for North American Civil Society Consultation

In preparation for the UNEP Global Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum (GMGSF) and the 11th Special Session of the UNEP Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum

Friday, January 8, 2010

Hosted by Conservation International

2011 Crystal Drive, Suite 500

Arlington, Virginia

08:50 – 09:00 REGISTRATION

09:00 – 09:10 WELCOMING REMARKS

Amy Fraenkel, Director, UNEP Regional Office for North America (UNEP RONA)

09:10 - 09:30 INTRODUCTORY REMARKS BY CONSULTATION CO-FACILITATORS

- *Dr. Thomas Brooks, Vice President, Center for Applied Biodiversity Science, Conservation International*
- *Kathryn White, Executive Director, United Nations Association in Canada*

Discuss meeting outcomes, including the summary highlighting key messages, to feed into the UNEP Global Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum (GMGSF) to be held in February, 2010

09:30 – 09:45 REMARKS BY U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT

- *Christine Dawson, Division Chief for Biodiversity, Office of Ecology and Natural Resource Conservation*
- *John Matuszak, Division Chief, Sustainable Development and Multilateral Affairs, Office of Environmental Policy*

09:45 – 10:00 SESSION 1: DISCUSSION ON INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE (IEG) AND THE GREEN ECONOMY

Presenter: Amy Fraenkel

10:00 – 10:20 SESSION 2: BIODIVERSITY AND ECOSYSTEMS

- *The Inter-governmental Science Policy Platform On Biodiversity And Ecosystem Services (IPBES)*
Presenter: Thomas E. Lovejoy, Chair of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel (STAP) for the Global Environment Facility (GEF); Biodiversity Chair for the Heinz Center
- *Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity (TEEB) progress report and its implications*
Presenter: Rosimeiry Portela, Senior Advisor to Conservation International

10:20 – 10:35 COFFEE BREAK

10:35 – 11:15 QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS/DISCUSSION

11:15 – 12:15 SESSION 3: BREAK-OUT GROUPS TO DISCUSS REGIONAL KEY MESSAGES

1) **BIODIVERSITY: IPBES and TEEB**
Facilitator: Thomas Brooks
Rapporteur: Rosimeiry Portela

2) **IEG AND THE GREEN ECONOMY**
Facilitator: Hilary French, Programme Officer, UNEP RONA
Rapporteur: Maria Ivanova, Director, Global Environmental Governance Project

12:15 – 12:30 SESSION 4: GROUPS REPORT BACK FROM BREAK-OUT SESSIONS

12:30 – 14:00 LUNCH

14:00 – 14:20 SESSION 5: CHEMICALS

- 1) Extraordinary Meetings of the Conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions
- 2) Discussion on the synergies process of the chemicals conventions and the lessons learned for biodiversity

Presenters:

- *Glenn Wiser, Senior Attorney, Center for International Environmental Law (CIEL)*
- *John Thompson, Division Director, Air and Water Resources Division, Office of Environmental Policy, U.S. Department of State*

14:20 – 14:30 QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

14:30 – 15:00 SESSION 6: MAJOR NORTH AMERICA EVENTS IN 2010

Facilitator: Kathryn White

INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF BIODIVERSITY (IYB):

- Presentation and discussion on IYB activities and feedback from participants on scheduled activities to commemorate IYB

Presenter and Moderator: David Ainsworth, Programme Officer for Communication, Education and Public Awareness, Focal Point for the IYB, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity

15:00 – 15:30 OTHER MAJOR EVENTS:

- Earth Day
Presenter: Jennifer Resick, Communications Manager, Earth Day Network
- World Environment Day: Bridging the gap between Earth Day and World Environment Day
Presenter: Elisabeth Guilbaud-Cox, Senior Programme Officer, UNEP RONA
- General discussion

15:30 – 16:30 SESSION 7: SELECTION OF THE TWO SPONSORED REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GLOBAL CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM AND THE GOVERNING COUNCIL/GLOBAL MINISTERIAL ENVIRONMENT FORUM

Moderator: Daniel B. Magraw Jr., President, CIEL

16:30 – 16:45 COFFEE BREAK (Evaluation form to be distributed)

16:45 – 17:15 SESSION 8: DISCUSSION OF MEETING OUTCOMES

Process for submission of summary highlighting key messages to UNEP GMGSF

Facilitators: Thomas Brooks and Kathryn White

17:15 – 17:30 SESSION 9: CLOSING SESSION

Closing remarks by Amy Fraenkel

Rapporteur: Bill Mansfield, Senior Advisor, UNEP RONA